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To: International Bureau of Wipo

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I received the international search report from you for the international application number of PCT\IL04\00200 and I have some responses:

Claim 1

I would like to stress that the point of my invention is the production method of crackers possessing medicinal properties.

Patent N 4,327,116 A, opposed to my invention and related to the subject of search most closely, doesn't mention a word about the creation of crackers possessing medicinal properties.

The essential point of the above mentioned patent is the creation of crackers with different tastes. However, the essential point of my invention is the creation of crackers possessing medicinal properties. Claim 1 deals with the preservation method of medicinal properties of natural medicinal substances in the production process of crackers with medicinal properties. Therefore, the present patent No 4,327,116 A, can't be considered as flaming the novelty of my invention.

Claim 2

The essential point of my invention is the preservation method of medicinal properties of natural medicinal substances in the production process of crackers with medicinal properties.

Claim 2 deals with the extraction of medicinal substances from medicinal plants by dissolving them in oil and spreading (adhering) the prepared oily solution on the ready cracker after its baking. This will allow to preserve the medicinal properties of medicinal plants since the medicinal substances won't be subjected to heating in the baking process.

The counter patent No US 5,391,383 doesn't deal with the production of crackers with medicinal properties. It deals with the production method of crackers with spreading (adhering) oil on them after their baking, but the purpose of this spreading (adhering) is absolutely different.

Therefore, the present patent No US 5,391,383 can't be considered as blaming the novelty of my invention.

Claim 3

The essential point of my invention is the preservation of medicinal properties of natural medicinal substances in the production process of crackers possessing medicinal properties.

Claim 3 deals with the extraction method of medicinal substances from medicinal plants by dissolving them in alcohol and the following spreading (adhering) of the prepared solution on the ready cracker after its baking.

This will allow to preserve the medicinal properties of medicinal plants, since the medicinal substances won't be subjected to heating in the baking process.

The present invention provides an oil-free, fat-free, edible adhesive for affixing seasoning to foods substrate which in its preferred embodiment is applied at room temperature.

Nothing is mentioned about the production of crackers with medicinal properties.

Therefore, patent No 5,827,553 can't be considered as flaming the novelty of my invention.

Changes in the form or contents

I would like to make the following changes in the form or contents of the claims:

- 1. Preface the claims with Arabic numerals.
- 2. Delete the summary of the claimed invention from the claim section.
- 3. Include the word method in every claim.
- 4. Replace the word "cracker" in the claims with "bakery product".

I would like to add to claim 3 that in place of 3.3 that was: "The third action consist in evaporating alcohol from the surface of a cracker at the temperature of 70°C", will be: "The third action consist in evaporating alcohol from the surface of a cracker at the temperature from 40°C to 150°C."

Text of the patent with the amendments is added.

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